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On February 14 Embassy delivered reftel points to the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (Don MacPhee, Senior Advisor, International Health); Health Canada (Gloria Wiseman, Director, International Affairs) and Canada Border Services Agency (Sara Wiebe, Director, U.S., Cabinet and Portfolio Affairs) asking for Canada's support in sponsoring the proposal to be discussed in Lima on February 21-22. Late on February 20, MacPhee and Wiseman told Embassy the proposal seems to be in line with Canada's objectives for the IHRs and the APEC region. They did not offer definitive support, but said Health Canada Director General for International Affairs Bersebel Ephrem would discuss the issue further with USG colleagues in Lima.

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